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SUBJECT: ITU MEETING WITH US, FRG, UK, FRENCH REPS RE BERLIN
LISTINGS

REFS: A) BONN 9578; B) STATE 142414

SUMMARY. ITU SYG CONVENED INFORMAL MEETING OF FRG, UK, US,
FRENCH REPS AT ITU JUNE 27 TO REVIEW REQUESTS OF GDR FOR
NEW OR CORRECTED ENTRIES IN FOUR ITU REFERENCE PUBLICATIONS.
ONLY ONE OF FOUR REQUESTS INVOLVED LISTING EAST BERLIN, DDR,
NAMELY, REQUEST FOR NEW ENTRIES IN ABOUT TO BE PUBLISHED
24TH EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE LIST.
ALLIED REPS GIVEN UNTIL END NOVEMBER IN WHICH TO INDICATE
THEIR WISHES RE POSSIBLE SECTION TO TAKE WITH REFERENCE TO
TELEGRAPH OFFICE LIST. END SUMMARY.

1. ON INVITATION OF ITU SYG MILI ADMIN COUNCIL AND MISSION
GENEVA REPS OF FRG, US, UK AND FRANCE MET AT ITU JUNE 27
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TO CONSIDER IMPLICATIONS OF FOUR LETTERS RECEIVED BY

ITU FROM GDR MINISTRY OF POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IN MAY REQUESTING NEW
LISTINGS INTER ALIA FOR EAST BERLIN IN A SERIES OF ITU
PUBLICATIONS.

2. CORRECTIONS OR NEW GDR ENTRIES WERE REQUESTED IN TIU'S

1) GENTEX (TELEX NUMBERS) REFERENCE; 2) RETRANSMISSION
STATION REFERENCES; 3) SUPPLEMENT 7 OF INTERNATIONAL
FREQUENCY LIST (IFL); AND 4) INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPH
OFFICE LIST (NOMENCLATURE DES BRUEAUX TELEGRAPHIQUES),
24TH EDITION OF WHICH IS TO BE PUBLISHED IN EARLY 1976.

3. A STUDY OF THE FOUR LETTER REQUESTS SHOWED THAT ONLY
THE GDR REQUEST FOR CHANGES IN THE FORTHCOMING 24TH EDITION
OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE LIST POSED A PROBLEM
FOR THE POWERS CONCERNED AS THE GENTEX AND RETRANSMISSION
LISTINGS ARE NUMBERS OR CODES ONLY AND THE REQUEST FOR
NEW IFL LISTINGS DID NOT INCLUDE EAST BERLIN. THE GDR,
HOWEVER, HAS REQUESTED THAT NEW TELEGRAPH OFFICES IN EAST
BERLIN AND ITS SUBURBS BE LISTED AS EAST BERLIN, DDR,
INSTEAD OF EAST BERLIN, GERMANY, AS HERETOFORE.

4. DSYG BUTLER SAID NO ITU OFFICIAL HAD DISCUSSED WITH
GDR REPS EITHER IN GENEVA OR IN BERLIN THEIR REQUESTS
BUT THAT ITU WOULD PUBLISH THE CHANGES REQUESTED IN
THE GENTEX AND RETRANSMISSION LISTS IN THE ITU
INFORMATION BULLETIN FOR JULY. THE REQUESTED CHANGES IN
THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE LIST, HOWEVER, WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED
IN A MONTHLY ITU INFORMATION BULLETIN BUT WILL HAVE
TO BE FINALIZED BY END OF NOVEMBER WHEN THE 24TH EDITION
OF THAT LIST GOES TO THE PRINTER. A NEW EDITION OF THIS
LIST IS PUBLISHED ONLY ONCE EVERY FOUR OR FIVE YEARS.

5. ONE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM POSED BY THE GDR REQUEST
TO LIST ITS EAST BERLIN TELEGRAPH OFFICES AS LOCATED IN
DDR INSTEAD OF GERMANY IS TO INCLUDE A DISCLAIMER ALONG
LINES OF PARA 2 (4) OF REF A, AS A FOOTNOTE. FRG
REPS AT MEETING ALSO SUGGESTED THAT LISTING WEST BERLIN,
FRG, WOULD BE ANOTHER. THEY THOUGHT TO USE THIS
THREAT AS A MEANS OF GETTING THE GDR TO WITHDRAW ITS
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REQUEST TO LIST EAST BERLIN AS LOCATED IN THE DDR.

6. COMMENT: UK REP, LIKE US, FEELS THE ASTERISKED
FOOTNOTE DISCLAIMER IS PROBABLY ONLY SOLUTION TO QUESTION.
DSYG BUTLER SAID FOOTNOTE COULD COME EITHER AT
BEGINNING OF 24TH EDITION OF TELEGRAPH OFFICE LIST ALONG
WITH OTHER EXPLANATORY NOTES OR ON SAME PAGE ON WHICH
EAST BERLIN OFFICES ARE LISTED.

7. DSYG BUTLER SAID HE EXPECTED TO HEAR FURTHER FROM REPS
OF FRG, US, UK AND FRANCE ON SUBJECT. ON BASIS OF REF A,
MISSION ASSUMES BONN GROUP WILL REVIEW IMPLICATIONS OF
GENEVA MEETING AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS. PLEASE ADVISE.
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